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SUBJECT: DEP SEC VISIT TO MANILA

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1. EMBASSY SUGGESTIONS ON EXTENSION DEP SEC VISIT TO PHILIPPINES AND PROPOSED REST STOP IN BAGUIO FOLLOW. SINCE MOVEMENT OF DEP SEC PARTY TO BAGUIO RAISES LOGISTICS PROBLEMS, WE HAVE ALSO ASKED NUMBER OF QUESTIONS WHICH WE WOULD LIKE ANSWERED ASAP.

2. AFTERNOON MARCH 8. WEATHER CONDITIONS BAGUIO (WHICH CUDS IN EARLY AFTERNOON) PRECLUDE MOVEMENT THERE FRIDAY, MAR 8 FOLLOWING ROMULO LUNCH. AMBASSADOR WOULD THEREFORE LIKE DEP SEC'S AGREEMENT TO RAISE WITH AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE POSSIBILITY OF SOME SORT OF DISCUSSION BETWEEN DEP SEC AND CHAMBER FOR AFTERNOON OF MAR 8. DISCUSSION COULD EITHER TAKE FORM OF BRIEF ADDRESS  
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BY DEP SEC TO FULL CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP AT CHANCERY TO BE FOLLOWED

BY QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION, OR DEP SEC COULD MEET LATER IN AFTERNOON WITH MORE SELECTIVE GROUP OF CHAMBER OVER DRINKS AT RESIDENCE. THIS WOULD PROVIDE EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR DEP SEC TO MEET WITH US BUSINESS COMMUNITY WHO OTHERWISE MIGHT FEEL LEFT OUT OF 4 -DAY SCHEDULE IN PHILIPPINES. ADVISE.

3. EVENING MAR 8. FOR EVENING OF MAR 8 AT 8:00 P.M. THERE IS A LARGE BLACK TIE DINNER SCHEDULED, HOSTED BY HEAD OF BANK OF AMERICA IN PHILIPPINES, AND INVOLVING LEADERS OF AMERICAN AND FILIPINO BUSINESS COMMUNITY, IN HONOR OF AMBASSADOR AND MRS. SULLIVAN. DINNER HAS ALREADY BEEN POSTPONED ONCE BECAUSE OF CONFLICT WITH AFFAIR HOSTED BY PRESIDENT MARCOS. THEREFORE, AMBASSADOR IS RELUCTANT SUGGEST SECOND POSTPONEMENT, AND IS CONFIDENT HOSTS WOULD BE FLATTERED HAVE RUSHES, HUMMEL AND DOOLIN AS VERY SPECIAL GUESTS. THIS WOULD BE SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY FOR VISITORS TO MEET BROADER CROSS-SECTION OF IMPORTANT US AND PHILIPPINE BUSINESS COMMUNITY. TRUST DEP SEC WILL ACCEPT. DCM INVITES OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY TO DINNER HIS HOUSE.

4. TRANSPORTATION TO BAGUIO . AIRPORT AT BAGUIO IS TOO SMALL TO ACCOMMODATE VC-135. WE PROPOSE THAT VC-135 PROCEED TO CLARK AIR BASE AFTER MAR 7 ARRIVAL IN MANILA AND REMAIN THERE UNTIL MAR 11 DEPARTURE ALONG WITH PLANE GUARDS. DEP SEC AND PARTY WOULD TRAVEL TO BAGUIO 0900 MAR 9 ABOARD TWO C-47 AIRCRAFT ASSIGNED TO JUSMAG AND DEFENSE ATTACHE. AFTERNOON TRAVEL TO BAGUIO IS INADVISABLE DUE TO FACT THAT 5,000 FOOT-HIGH AIRPORT IS OFTEN IN CLOUDS IN AFTERNOON. FLIGHT TIME FROM MANILA TO BAGUIO IS ONE HOUR. DEP SEC AND PARTY WOULD LEAVE BAGUIO MORNING MAR 11 FOR 30 MINUTE FLIGHT TO CLARK BY C-47 IN TIME TO DEPART CLARK ABOARD VC-135 FOR HONOLULU. ADVISE REQUIRED DEPARTURE TIME FROM CLARK FOR HONOLULU.

5. COMMUNICATIONS. EMBASSY HAS NO PERMANENT COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES IN BAGUIO. IF REQUIRED FOR DEP SEC VISIT, WE CAN ESTABLISH 24 -HOUR COMMUNICATIONS CENTER. HOWEVER, THIS WILL REQUIRE DRAWING ON OTHER POSTS IN AREA FOR SERVICES OF TWO COMMUNICATORS. MANILA'S OWN COMMUNICATIONS STAFF IS INADEQUATE  
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TO HANDLE MANILA COMMUNICATIONS CENTER ON 24-HOUR BASIS WHILE DEP SEC IS HERE AND ALSO SET UP TEMPORARY CENTER IN BAGUIO IN TIME FOR ARRIVAL DEP SEC PARTY HERE. IF SECURE COMMUNICATION FACILITY NOT REQUIRED AT BAGUIO WOULD PROPOSE COURIER RUN FROM EMBASSY SUNDAY TO BAGUIO AND MONDAY TO CLARK. ADVISE YOUR REQUIREMENTS.

6 ACCOMMODATIONS. AMBASSADOR WILL BE PLEASED TO MAKE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR DEP SEC AND PARTY IN BAGUIO AND WILL ACCOMPANY. WE WILL NEED TO KNOW IF ALL MEMBERS OF PARTY WILL TRAVEL TO BAGUIO WITH DEP SEC. AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE IN BAGUIO HAS ONE GUEST SUITE AND SIX ROOMS WITH TWIN BEDS. PROPOSE SUITE IN RESIDENCE FOR DEP SEC AND MRS. RUSH AND INDIVIDUAL ROOMS FOR HUMMEL, DOOLIN, ROBERTS AND SAMUELS. ROSEN AND NETHERCUT WOULD SHARE ONE ROOM AND ONE OR TWO S/Y PERSONNEL COULD BE ASSIGNED THE REMAINING DOUBLE ROOM. AMBASSADOR AND MRS. SULLIVAN WILL PLAN ALSO TO BE IN RESIDENCE AND WILL BRING HOUSEHOLD STAFF FROM MANILA IN ORDER MAKE BAGUIO RESIDENCE SELF-SUFFICIENT. REMAINDER OF PARTY INCLUDING ANY MANILA SUPPORT PERSONNEL NEEDED WILL BE HOUSED IN GUEST HOUSE NEAR RESIDENCE AND IN COTTAGES ON CAMP JOHN HAY. WE HAVE BLICKED RESERVATIONS ON TWO COTTAGES; BOTH COST LESS THAN TEN DOLLARS PER COTTAGE PER NIGHT. ONE HAS SIX BEDS AND THE OTHER FOUR. PLEASE ADVISE IF SATISFACTORY.

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8. WE HAVE ALREADY RESERVED ROOMS AT INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL FOR NIGHT MAR 8 BUT ANY EXTENSIONS AT HOTEL WILL BECOME INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT BECAUSE OF ACUTE SHORTAGE HOTEL SPACE.

9. GROUND TRANSPORTATION AT BAGUIO. EMBASSY CAN SEND ONE OR TWO VEHICLES FROM MANILA TO BAGUIO BUT WOULD HAVE TO RENT VEHICLES FOR

GROUND TRANSPORTATION TO HANDLE ALL NEEDS AT BAGUIO. LIMITED USE OF CAMP JOHN HAY VEHICLES POSSIBLE WHEN AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ON FULL TIME ASSIGNED BASIS. TAXI SERVICE IS AVAILABLE ON JOHN HAY AND IN BAGUIO CITY. WE WILL ARRANGE FOR TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM BAGUIO AIRPORT BUT WE ASSUME REQUIREMENTS IN PARA 6 OF STATE 28441 DO NOT RPT NOT APPLY TO BAGUIO REST STOP.

10. S/S OFFICE. ASSUME S/S WILL REMAIN MANILA AND WILL HANDLE BAGUIO BY COURIER.

11. EMBASSY VISITORS CONTROL ROOM. SINCE EMBASSY HAS NO AMERICAN OR LOCAL EMPLOYEES ASSIGNED TO BAGUIO, OPERATION OF CONTROL ROOM ON SAME SCALE AS AT INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL NOT RPT NOT FEASIBLE. FACILITIES FOR CASHING DOLLAR CHECKS, PX, SMALL COMMISSARY, OFFICERS CLUB, APO AND PACKAGE STORE  
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ARE PRESENT AT CAMP JOHN HAY. ADVISE IF ANY OF REQUIREMENTS IN PARA 9B OF STATE 28441 WILL APPLY TO BAGUIO.

12. SECURITY. AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE IS GUARDED BY NINE FILIPINO CONTRACT SECURITY PERSONNEL. WE WILL PLAN TO ESTABLISH ONE MSG POST AT BAGUIO RESIDENCE DURING DEP SEC VISIT.

13. WIRELESS TICKER FILE. EMBASSY WILL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE NEWSPAPERS WIRELESS FILE AND ONE TICKER SERVICE THROUGH BAGUIO VOA FACILITY.

14. DEPARTURE STATEMENT. WE SUGGEST THAT DEPARTURE STATEMENT BE RELEASED TO MANILA PRESS UPON DEPARTURE OF DEP SEC FROM PHILIPPINES ON MAR 11.

15. UPON RECEIPT ANSWERS TO ABOVE QUESTIONS WE WILL PROVIDE REVISED SCHEDULE AND OTHER DETAILS. EMPHASIZE NEED FOR EARLY RESPONSE VIEW VARIETY OF LOGISTICAL ARRANGEMENTS TO BE MADE.  
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